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SUBJECT: EXCHANGES: REPLACEMENT FOR FULBRIGHT LECTURER MICHAEL
HINDEN

REF: BUCHAREST 6377

1. ON BASIS OF DEPUTY MINED BOGDAN'S ASSURANCE OF MUCH BETTER HOUSING FOR FULBRIGHT GRANTEES, EMBASSY REQUESTS DEPARTMENT PROCEED IN EARNEST WITH ATTEMPT TO RECRUIT REPLACEMENT FOR HINDEN AS LECTURER IN AMERICAN LITERATURE AT BUCHAREST UNIVERSITY.

2. ON BEHALF OF UNIVERSITY, MINED HAS FORMALLY REQUESTED CONSIDERATION OF PROFESSOR ADRIAN JAFFEE OF STOCKTON STATE COLLEGE, POMONA, NEW JERSEY FOR POSITION. JAFFE HAS APPARENTLY WRITTEN MINED AND DEPARTMENT RE ACADEMIC 1976/77 GRANT, BUT KNOWS NOTHING ABOUT NEED FOR REPLACEMENT THIS SPRING SEMESTER AND MAY NOT BE AVAILABLE UNTIL SEPTEMBER.

3. DEAN CHITORAN OF UNIVERSITY'S GERMANICS FACULTY SPEAKS HIGHLY OF JAFFE AS FULBRIGHTER HERE IN 1964/65 AND AGAIN IN 1970/71. EMBASSY FILES SUPPORT CHITORAN'S APPRAISAL, CITING HIM AS "HIGHLY SUCCESSFUL" AND UNIQUELY QUALIFIED" FOR EARLIER APPOINTMENTS. JAFFE APPARENTLY HAS GOOD WORKING KNOWLEDGE OF

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ROMANIAN, IS FLUENT IN FRENCH AND APPEARS ADAPTABLE TO FOREIGN

ENVIRONMENT, WITH PREVIOUS GRANTS TO VIETNAM AND FRANCE AS WELL.

4. IF JAFFE NOT AVAILABLE FOR COMING SPRING SEMESTER, DEPARTMENT SHOULD ADVISE OTHER PROSPECTIVE CANDIDATES THAT, DESPITE MINED ASSURANCES ABOVE, HOUSING ACCOMMODATIONS LIKELY TO BE MINIMAL BY U.S. STANDARDS. OTHER LIMITING FACTORS INCLUDE LACK OF AMERICAN SCHOOLING ABOVE EIGHTH GRADE AND GENERAL FRUSTRATIONS OF DAILY LIFE IN BUCHAREST ESPECIALLY FOR THE INFLEXIBLE AND UNBRIEFED.

5. DEAN CHITORAN SAYS HINDEN REPLACEMENT WOULD HAVE TO ARRIVE NOT LATER THAN JANUARY 25 FOR TERM ALREADY BEGINNING JANUARY 5, 1976. GOOD HUNTING.
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